

MEMORANDUM FOR: CIA Member, Critical Collection Problems Committee

SUBJECT : Classification of Major US Intelligence Objectives

REFERENCE : Memorandum from CIA Member, CCPC to DD/IRS dated 19 September 1967, same subject

1. In response to your request we have examined the CCPC Classification of Major US Intelligence Objectives.

2. I attach recommended changes in Section 100 (Military) with supporting explanations. These recommendations derive from our view that the list is meant to deal with the current time frame; a list projecting the threat to the period of the 1970's would have somewhat different priorities.

3. I cannot give Directorate of Intelligence approval to the list unless special consideration is given to North Vietnam, which is currently lumped with "other Communist countries" and yet is of major if not critical concern to the United States in most of the categories covered. I would suggest that North Vietnam--and perhaps North Korea--be given separate treatment, although one or both might be taken together with Communist China under a "Far East Communist Countries" heading.

4. Where lower priorities are assigned to critical developments because of their relative improbability, e.g., in Categories 110, 122, 160, 180, 240, 280, etc., an asterisk should so indicate. Likewise, some of the sections are not applicable to some of the areas, and this should be indicated.

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Attachment: 1/s

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